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Revision of Paragraph 5, [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] authorizes employees and dependents to travel by other than the usually traveled routes, or by means of transportation not usually employed, provided the actual expenses incurred do not exceed the amount which would have been involved in direct travel on the basis of lowest first-class accommodations, "or, if less than first-class is actually used, on the basis of accommodations used."

2. The requirement set forth in direct quotation stated above is based on Section 10 of Standardized Government Travel Regulations in effect prior to 1 October 1950, which then read as follows:

"10. Indirect Route Travel. - In case a person travels by an indirect route for his own personal convenience, the extra expense will be borne by himself and reimbursement for expenses will be based only on such charges as were actually incurred, not to exceed what would have been incurred by (a) the most economical usually traveled route." (underlining supplied)

3. Under the above regulation, if an employee traveled by a circuitous route and used a cheaper class of transportation, such as air coach instead of first class, he was not entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred in excess of the cost of travel on a direct route by the cheaper class of transportation.

4. Section 10 of the Standardized Government Travel Regulations was amended, effective 1 October 1950, omitting the words underscored in the quotation in paragraph 2, above, and inserting the article (a) shown in parenthesis. Consequently, when indirect travel is involved after 1 October 1950, the traveler is entitled to reimbursement of transportation expenses actually incurred, not to exceed the

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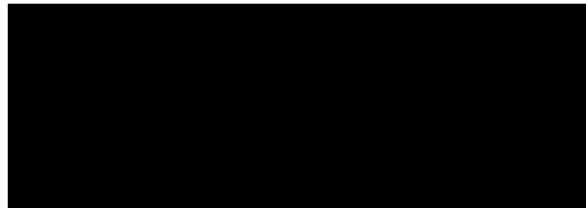
cost of first class accommodations over the usually traveled route. The foregoing is in accordance with confidential decision of the Comptroller General (B-102300), dated 25 April 1951.

5. In order to conform the subject paragraph of [REDACTED] with Section 10 of the Standardized Government Travel Regulations and the above Comptroller General decision, this Office requests that an appropriate change be issued which will exclude from the first sentence of paragraph 5, the qualifying statement:

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"or, if less than first-class is actually used, on the basis of accommodations used"

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